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DIARY NOTES

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1. Addressed those attending the Basic Operations Course and stressed the importance of training.

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2. Have asked [REDACTED] to give me a report on how the Office of the Comptroller is progressing with its shakedown in order to replenish our Reserve.

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3. Have asked [REDACTED] to give me a report on any developments concerning our request for the release of \$1.6 from our Contingency Reserve for [REDACTED]

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4. Have arranged for Mr. [REDACTED] to speak at the DD/S Staff Meeting on 9 November to present his ideas on changes in our emergency planning.

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5. Talked to Commissioner Moore about the application of Miss [REDACTED] for employment in CIA. Told him that I could not offer any encouragement. He said that he understood but requested that I write Miss [REDACTED] a letter which I agreed to do.

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6. Asked Harry Reynolds to check his "personnel assignment and promotion policy" paper with [REDACTED] and Ed Saunders. If they agree, and this does not jeopardize John's manpower control paper in any way, I would like to present it to the Career Council at an early meeting.

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7. [REDACTED] and I met with [REDACTED] of the FE Division to discuss the problem of whether or not to continue with the communications installation [REDACTED]. This was brought about by our understanding that a paper had been initiated by the FE Division, and was in Frank Wisner's office, recommending that the [REDACTED] not move [REDACTED]. It developed that neither Dick nor Mr. [REDACTED] believed that we needed this installation, regardless of whether or not the [REDACTED] occupied [REDACTED]. We agreed to check this back with the war planners but it seems certain that we should not go forward with this installation. (I must get out the project and see what we need to do with the Director to get off the hook. Dick is perfectly willing to accept full responsibility for whatever mistakes have been made.)

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8. Instructed [REDACTED] Chief of the Transportation Division, to select a chauffeur for Mr. Wisner, to make sure that he was cleared for top secret, and

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to be ready to assign him as soon as possible. Have also instructed [REDACTED] as to the necessary papers to prepare for my approval to effect the exclusive assignment of a car and chauffeur in this instance.

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9. Dick Smith, Editor and Publisher of the Providence Journal and a strong advocate for the location of our proposed new building at Langley, was in to see me. I told him that I could not tell him what Clarke and Rapuano were going to recommend but that I would encourage him to keep up his efforts on behalf of Langley. He had a very long statement which he proposed to run as a paid ad in both the Star and Post and asked for my comments on it. I read it and told him that his arguments were those which we had used in favoring the Langley site. I did not recommend either for or against running a paid ad. One of his strong points, which was new to me but which is very valid, was that if CIA located at Langley a minimum of relocation by our personnel would be necessary. This would mean that the businessmen in Washington, D. C., would continue to get as much business from CIA employees as they do now; whereas, if CIA located at the Winkler property it probably would entail the relocation of a substantial number of personnel who would, in turn, take their business to Alexandria or elsewhere in Virginia at a great loss to the District. I believe that he planned to sell this idea to the Washington papers. He telephoned later to say that he had presented this argument to the Chairman of the Washington Board of Trade who seemed to be very impressed with it.

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10. Advised [REDACTED] that the Director had approved of his promotion to grade GS-17.

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11. Met briefly with Gates Lloyd, [REDACTED] to discuss the relationship of the Commercial Staff to CAT. Agreed on the principles to be followed and asked that the papers be finished as soon as possible. Also told Luke that I thought a rotating secretarial service to Mr. [REDACTED], who is to replace [REDACTED], was not a desirable arrangement and 25X1A9a asked him to see if he couldn't work out something better.

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